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creation labs, free museum admission, and will serve as a place for the community to come together while crafting.

The entire day will feature free museum admission, craft demonstrations, information tables, and hands-on learning opportunities. Don't miss the live performance by folk singer/songwriter Naomi Rae or the Craft Creation Lab: Crocheted Chunky Bangles. Event schedule will be made available at www.monroehistory.org.

And also on:

March 29 • Sunday

1:00-3:00pm Women Inspire at Blooming

Scrapbooks & Stamps ~
Demonstrations and learn how to
make custom greeting cards. Cost: \$10
Women interested in joining Women
Inspire are welcome to attend
Presenter: Blooming Scrapbook and

www.bloominscrapbooks.com Sponsor: Women Inspire, Inc. Loni Dishong, 369-6333

Stamps • 223 S. Pete Ellis Dr.



March 30 • Monday

5:00-8:00pm

Peace Work, Green Work,
Women's Work: Women's
Leadership Development ~
City Hall, 401 N. Morton St. •
Co-sponsored by City of Bloomington Commission on the Status of
Women and Office of the City Clerk

The purpose of the event is to encourage and support women's efforts to become active in their community, particularly on local boards and commissions. The event opens with the

presentation of this year's Emerging Leader Award, followed by a keynote address by Ms. Betty Cockrum, President and CEO, Planned Parenthood of Indiana. Following the keynote Q & A, there are three breakout sessions designed to help participants learn more about important issues and how they can make a difference in our world. Breakout sessions include a panel on Green Work; and a workshop on Peace Work and Women's Work, respectively.

A reception begins at 5pm. The event is free and open to the public. Call 349-3468 for further information.

History of National Women's History Month

As recently as the 1970's, women's history was virtually an unknown topic in the K-12 curriculum or in general public consciousness. To address this situation, the Education Task Force of the Sonoma County (California) Commission on the Status of Women initiated a "Women's History Week" celebration in 1978. We chose the week of March 8 to make International Women's Day the focal point of the observance. The activities that were held met with enthusiastic response, and within a few years dozens of schools planned special programs for Women's History Week, more than 100 women participated in the Community Resource Women Project, an annual "Real Woman" Essay Contest drew hundreds of entries, and we were staging a marvelous annual parade and program in downtown Santa Rosa, California.

— from the National Women's History Project www.nwhp.org/whm/promoting.php

During the month of March

Clothing Drive, My Sister's Closet
Co-sponsored by My Sister's Closet
and Women Inspire, Inc.
All women in the area are encouraged to take gently used business
attire to My Sister's Closet
1010 S. Walnut, 355-6842 • Any questions, please visit our website
www.mysistersclosetofmonroeco.org



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MARCH + 2009 WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

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Felisha Legette Jack, Indiana University Women's Basketball Coach

March I • Sunday

owa@indiana.edu and

Time: Before the IU Women's Basketball game at 12:30pm or 2:30pm (game time tba February 16)

The Ball's In Our Court: Campus /Community Kickoff Reception for Women's History Month ~ Co-sponsored by The Office for Women's Affairs (IU), Middle Way House and Bloomington Commission on the Status of Women • Assembly Hall, IU • Sabrina, 855-3849

Featuring Coach Jack as presenter, this reception is to usher in Women's History Month and salute the IU Women's Basketball team.

Mona Lisa by Leonardo da Vinci, Oil on poplar, 30 in x 21 in c. 1503–1506



JWAC Auditorium • 122 S.Walnut at corner of 4th St. • 334-3100 or contact: Monika Herzig at mherzig@indiana.edu

ArtsWeek presents "Women in Jazz" with Janiece Jaffe, Monika Herzig, Jennifer Kirk, Carolyn Dutton, Shawn Plonski, Vickie Daniel and more.

March 4 • Wednesday Multiple viewings: 10am, 12pm, 2pm, and 4pm Viewing of Mana Lies Smile

Viewing of Mona Lisa Smile ~ Sponsored by Ivy Tech-Bloomington Campus Activities Board in the Student Commons, Ivy Tech Campus

In celebration of Women's History Month, C.A.B. will show *Mona Lisa Smile*, a movie in which Katherine Watson, a 1953 free-spirited Berkeley graduate, teaches art history at an all female college where she encourages students to challenge the paths that they are all expected to take and to think about a world beyond the traditions that have been laid out for them.





March 5 • Thursday

7:00-8:00pm

Over A Cup of Tea presents "Redefinition of Identity" ~

A Lecture and Concert by Magdalen Hsu-Li • Co-sponsored by Indiana University Asian Culture Center in partnership with the Office of Women's Affairs, IUB and GLBT Student Services, IUB.

Neal Marshall Black Culture Center, Grand Hall • 275 N. Jordan Avenue Indiana University Asian Culture Center • 812-856-5361 acc@indiana.edu

Hsu-Li will be conducting a lecture interspersed with songs that will address how we can begin to raise diversity awareness in ourselves and in our community. She will be performing songs from her newest CD "Smashing the Ceiling." Her songs visually portray what she sees with her painter's eyes while addressing universal themes about identity, spirituality, the search for consciousness, love, loss, and relationships. She is a graduate of the Rhode Island School of Design in painting and Berklee College of Music in song writing.

March 8 • Sunday

2:30pm

Micro Loans in Kenya ~

Sponsored by the Women's International League for Peace & Freedom Presented by Madeleine Hirschland sharing her experiences in Kenya • Monroe County Public Library 303 E. Kirkwood Ave. • 349-3050

And it is also:

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

A global celebration, it is the day connecting all women around the world and inspiring them to achieve their full potential. IWD celebrates the collective power of women past, present and future. Organizations around the world have already commenced planning for their IWD Centenary celebrations in 2011.

March II • Wednesday

11:00am-1:30pm

Women's History Month

Luncheon ~ Keynote Speaker, Lisa Sideris, "Rachel Carson and the Rise of Environmentalism" at the Bloomington Convention Center, 302 S. College Ave. • For tickets please contact Sue Owens, 349-3468

Lisa Sideris, assistant professor in the department of Religious Studies at Indiana University, studies the value and ethical significance of natural processes. Her recent research has focused on the intersection of religion, science and envi-

ronmental ethics. She has recently co-edited with Kathleen Dean Moore, Rachel Carson: Legacy and Challenge. Sideris is especially interested in Rachel Carson's "sense of wonder" for the natural world.



"This is more than a memoir. Janet Cheatham Bell has seasoned her personal story with some little-known history of African Americans in Indiana."

> Julian Bond, Professor, University of Virginia; Chairman, NAACP

March II • Wednesday (cont.)

6:00-8:30pm

Women Inspire Gathering ~ Presenter: Janet Cheatham Bell Sponsored by Women Inspire, Inc. Loni Dishong, 369-6333 • Event:

KRC Catering, 216 S. College Ave.

This author, researcher, speaker shares from experience about Amazing Possibilities—a provocative, informative, inspiring presentation. For more information visit: www.womeninspire.org

March 12 • Thursday

97th Birthday of Girl Scouts of the United States of America ~ Girl Scout Birthday commemorates the day in 1912 when Juliette Gordon

Low officially registered the organiza-

tion's first 18 girl members in Savannah, Georgia, and founded an organization dedicated to building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Rachel Carson's Silent Spring (1962), which exposed the impact of pesticides on the natural world, marked the onset of public consciousness of the environmental crisis.

MARCH

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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International Women's Day			Women's History Month Luncheon			
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Women's	31	For calendar updates & last minute additions visit: www.bloomington.in.gov/boards/csw			
	Leadership Development					



March 17 • Tuesday

5:15pm

Yarns Unlimited "Knitting for Charity" ~

Hosted by Yarns Unlimited 102 W. Kirkwood, Suite 129 Suzanne Halverson, 334-2464 yarnsunlimited@comcast.net

Knitters of all skill levels can join with a group who meets monthly to knit for charity. For Women's History Month we will focus on knitting or crocheting, 7"x 9" rectangles to send to the Women's Prison in Indianapolis. They in turn, crochet the pieces together for blankets for alzheimer's patients.

March 19 • Thursday

7:00pm

Why Young Feminists are Embracing Traditional Crafts ~

Presented by the Indiana University Folklore Department

Sponsor: the Monroe County History Center • 202 E. 6th St. • 332-2517

Many Generation X & Y women are teaching themselves how to practice traditional crafts. Discover why young feminist are embracing traditional crafts, why they view the act of crafting as important, and how the crafts are evolving to meet the needs of those modern women.

March 23 • Monday

6:30pm

Monroe County Public Library ~ Ellettsville Area Book Club Ellettsville Branch, 600 W. Temperance, Ellettsville, Adult Program Room • 876-1272

The group will discuss the book *Silent Spring* by Rachel Carson. All are welcome to attend.



Those who contemplate the beauty of the earth find reserves of strength that will endure as long as life lasts.

— Rachel Carson

March 27 • Friday

6:00-8:30pmWomen Inspire Gathering ~

Co-presenters: Tamyra D'Ippolito of Ragazzi Arte Cafe and Yelena Yahontova of Photographer of Joy Sponsored by Women Inspire, Inc. KRC Catering, 216 S. College Ave. Loni Dishong, 369-63338 For more information visit: www.womeninspire.org



Madeleine M. Kunin

March 28 • Saturday

5:30-9:30pm

Madeleine M. Kunin Dinner ~ Sponsored by the Democratic Women's Caucus • Indiana University Memorial Union • 5:30pm Reception with cash bar & Booksigning in the

with cash bar & Booksigning in the University Club followed by a 7:00pm Dinner in the Tudor Room with Ms. Kunin as the guest speaker.

Former three-term Vermont Governor and Ambassador to Switzerland Madeleine M. Kunin is also the author of: Pearls, Politics, and Power: How Women Can Win and Lead. In it she asks: What difference do women make? For ticket information visit www.democraticwomenscaucus.org.

March 29 • Sunday

1:00-6:00pm

Craftacular ~

I.An event where people come together to delight in all things craft.2. When something is both crafty and spectacular.

Sponsored by Boxcar Books & Community Center • Event location: Monroe County History Center 202 E. 6th St. • 332-2517

This spectacular craft event will have live entertainment, hand-on craft demonstrations, make-and-take craft

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